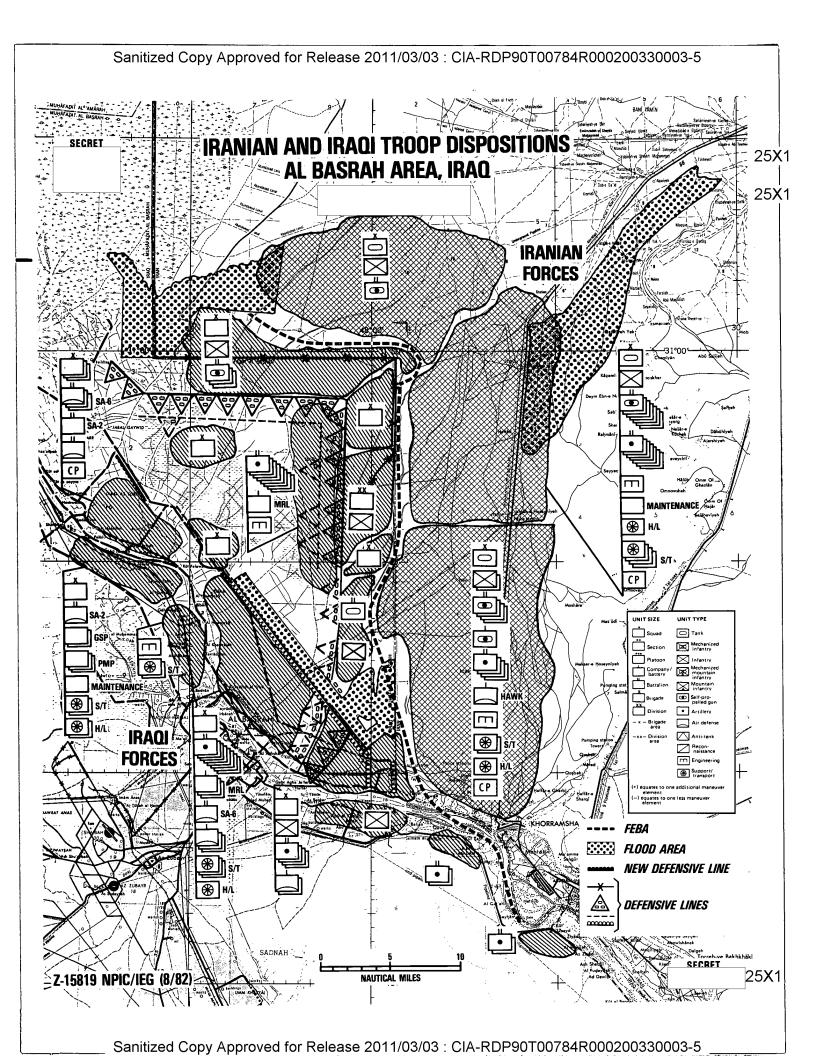


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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: IRANIAN AND IRAQI DEPLOYMENTS IN THE AL BASRAH AREA

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2. (SWN) REMARKS: IRANIAN FORCES DEPLOYED EAST AND NORTHEAST OF AL BASRAH INCLUDED MAJOR ELEMENTS OF AT LEAST TWO ARMORED BRIGADES, THREE LARGE INFANTRY FORCES, 11 SELF-PROPELLED GUN (SPG) BATTALIONS, ONE SPG BATTERY, 11 FIELD ARTILLERY (FA) BATTALIONS, ONE HAWK BATTERY, TWO COMMAND POSTS (CP), TWO ENGINEER UNITS, ONE MAINTENANCE UNIT, AT LEAST TWO HEAVY LIFT UNITS AND AT LEAST SIX SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT (S&T) UNITS. OF THESE FORCES, ONE BATTALION-SIZE ARMORED UNIT AND ONE INFANTRY FORCE REMAINED DEPLOYED IN IRAQI TERRITORY.

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IRAQI FORCES, WHOSE LEAD ELEMENTS WERE DEPLOYED NORTH AND EAST OF AL BASRAH INCLUDED MAJOR ELEMENTS OF ONE ARMORED DIVISION, FOUR BRIGADE-SIZE ARMOR FORCES, ONE TANK BATTALION, AND FOUR LARGE INFANTRY UNITS. IRAQI FORCES DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF THESE FRONT-LINE UNITS INCLUDED SIX BRIGADE-SIZE ARMOR FORCES, THREE SPG BATTALIONS, 20 FA BATTALIONS, FOUR MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER (MRL) BATTERIES, FOUR SA-6 BATTALIONS, ONE SA-2 BATTALION. ONE ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY (AAA) BATTALION, FIVE AAA BATTERIES, ONE ENGINEER UNIT, AT LEAST THRÉE SET UNITS, AT LEAST ONE HEAVY-LIFT UNIT, AND ONE COMMAND POST (CP).

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